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APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF INDONESIA

IPF:(1992-96) $ 81 384 000

(INS/91/019) - Assistance to Environmental Health Programme in Indonesia

Date of approval by the AC:[1/]	3 March 1993
Expected duration:	Three years
Proposed executing agency:	Government
Government implementing agency:	Directorate General (DG) of Communicable Disease Control, DG of Environmental Health, and DG of Food and Drug Control (Bureau of Planning, Ministry of Health)
Proposed UNDP contribution:	$ 2 516 900 Source of funds: IPF
Total UNDP budget:	$ 2 516 900

Project background

The extent of environmental health problems in Indonesia (ranging from poor street food sanitation on a massive, endemic scale to individual poisoning) has been growing rapidly, especially in urban, rapidly industrializing areas, and tourist centers. Food-borne diseases and food adulteration are reported to occur frequently. Poisoning cases and exposure to hazardous substances are widespread and continue unabated. These problems are exacerbated by limited knowledge of the basic relationship between environmental degradation and changes in community health status. Environmental health policies and guidelines (including a number of health-oriented criteria and standards) are still in varying degrees of formulation. This, together with limited and inadequately trained and equipped manpower especially at sub-national levels, impedes effective delivery of environmental health services. Central (inter-sectoral) and field administrative coordination and cooperation among concerned government entities is limited. Moreover, current mechanisms to assess environmental impact are neither sufficiently specific nor sensitive to isolate and quantify the human health impact on an individual or community (public health) basis.

The above-mentioned project is based on the Government's National Environmental Health Programme (NEHP), the purpose of which is to achieve an environmental standard which will result in an optimal degree of community health, and to encourage the participation and awareness of the community and of the public sector with respect to their responsibilities in improving and conserving the country's environmental health condition. Of the various activities identified in the NEHP, the Government has determined that the following vital

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areas require urgent action: food establishment sanitation; food safety; poison prevention and control; and environmental health impact assessment. Having their own individual sets of circumstances, problems and priorities, these areas will be addressed by the project through specific sub-projects operating under one programme framework and a unified management to ensure greater coordination and synergy. To utilise the programmatic approach through clustering of these sub-projects, the Government requested UNDP assistance under the present approval.

Description of project

The development objective of the project is to assist in enhancing national capacity in environmental health programming and implementation leading to improvements in community health status and the productive capacity of the country's work-force.

The project will be structured into four sub-projects to deal with: (a) **Food Establishment Sanitation** - revision of food sanitation codes/standards; formulation of new legislation; capacity enhancement and training; piloting model programmes and food stalls; and public awareness campaigns; (b) **Food Control** - revision of food products/processing legislation; enhancement of surveillance and monitoring systems; capacity enhancement and training; and increasing public awareness; (c) **Poison Control Network**: development of legal framework; strengthening the poison information/treatment centers (in Jakarta and four provinces); increasing public awareness; and enhancing the network's emergency preparedness capabilities; and (d) **Environmental Health Impact Assessment Monitoring and Coordination**: development of a pilot program for monitoring environmental health quality; training; operationalization of an inter-sectoral environmental health information system involving all relevant Ministries/departments.

Inputs

UNDP will provide a national senior programme manager (36 m/m) to manage and coordinate the four sub-projects; short-term expatriate consultancies (28 man-months); national consultants in specific fields (198 man-months); subcontracts on specific technical inputs; study-tours and in-service training; equipment; and miscellaneous costs.

Financial data

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Personnel	859 000
Subcontract	350 500
Training	629 000
Equipment	619 000
Miscellaneous	59 400
Total	2 516 900

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